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Re: OPR FOIA No. F18-00140

Dear Mr. Barger:

This letter responds to your July 20, 2018 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR) seeking various records pertaining to your client, former Assistant U.S. Attorney Ashley Neese. OPR received your request on July 20, 2018. It has been assigned request number F18-00140. Please refer to that number in any correspondence pertaining to this matter.

You have requested records pertaining to your client. In accordance with Department regulation 28 C.F.R. § 16.41(d) (2017) and in order for OPR to process your request, you need to provide a written authorization signed by Ms. Neese, permitting the disclosure to you of records pertaining to her. This verification is required in order to protect Ms. Neese's privacy and to ensure that private information about her is not disclosed inappropriately. A Certification of Identity form that may be used for this purpose may be found at: http://www.justice.gov/oip/forms/cert_ind.pdf.

If you would like OPR to process your request and search for responsive records, you must return a completed Certification of Identity form to OPR. Please complete and submit the form within 15 days of the date of this letter. If OPR does not receive the form within this timeframe, your request will be closed administratively.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lyn Hardy", is written over the typed name and title.

Lyn Hardy
Special Counsel
for Freedom of Information & Privacy Acts

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